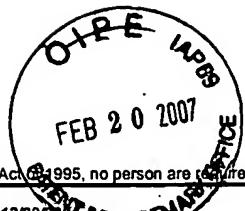


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FEE TRANSMITTAL For FY 2006

Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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FEE CALCULATION

1. BASIC FILING, SEARCH, AND EXAMINATION FEES

<u>Application Type</u>	<u>FILING FEES</u>		<u>SEARCH FEES</u>		<u>EXAMINATION FEES</u>		<u>Fees Paid (\$)</u>
	<u>Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Small Entity Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Small Entity Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Small Entity Fee (\$)</u>	
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	

2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES

Fee Description

Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)

Small Entity Fee (\$)

50 25

Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)

200 100

Multiple dependent claims

360 180

<u>Total Claims</u>	<u>Extra Claims</u>	<u>Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Fee Paid (\$)</u>
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HP = highest number of total claims paid for, if greater than 20.

Multiple Dependent Claims

Fee (\$) Fee Paid (\$)

<u>Indep. Claims</u>	<u>Extra Claims</u>	<u>Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Fee Paid (\$)</u>
3	- 3 =	x	=

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3. APPLICATION SIZE FEE

If the specification and drawings exceed 100 sheets of paper (excluding electronically filed sequence or computer listings under 37 CFR 1.52(e)), the application size fee due is \$250 (\$125 for small entity) for each additional 50 sheets or fraction thereof. See 35 U.S.C. 41(a)(1)(G) and 37 CFR 1.16(s).

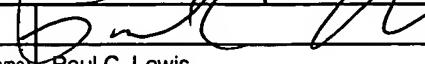
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4. OTHER FEE(S)

Non-English Specification, \$130 fee (no small entity discount)

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116

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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Examiner's final Office Action dated October 20, 2006, the period for response having been extended one (1) month to February 20, 2007, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

This reply includes:

Amendments to the Specification;

Amendments to the Claims; and

Remarks.